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Breakfast 25 cents; dinner, 25 cents; supper, 25 cents. Meal tickets, \$4. J. J. Catogni's restaurant

**Coming and Going.**  
 Capt. T. H. Arnold and J. C. Smith, of Memphis, Tenn., are guests of R. C. Stearnes, of Salem, they are also taking in Roanoke and surroundings.  
 Mrs. S. V. Payne, of Richmond, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Hancock, at 912 Tazewell avenue.  
 Edwin Mann, of Bluefield, is a guest at the Ponce de Leon.  
 Sam Dobyns, conductor on Louisville and Nashville railway, of Birmingham, Ala., with his wife and son, are visiting relatives in the city.  
 Mrs. J. T. Strickland has returned from her trip to Baltimore and Atlantic City, accompanied by her cousins, the Misses Blanche and Grace Bealmeier, and her sister, Miss Muffy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harvey, of Montvale, returned home yesterday after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Maupin on Franklin road.  
 Mrs. Nannie Norvell, of Charlottesville, who has been here for some weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Payne, and grand-daughter, Mrs. J. S. Nicholas, returned home yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Payne and her great grand-daughter, little Lizzie Nicholas.  
 Mrs. A. J. Carpenter, mother of Roy J. and W. W. Carpenter, former Roanokers, died recently at her home in New Franklin, Mo.  
 R. H. Fishburne left yesterday for Crockett Springs on a trip of rest and recreation of two weeks.  
 Miss Bessie and Mertie Renner, of Sharpsburg, Md., are visiting their brother, W. E. Renner, of East Roanoke.  
 Mrs. Lucy R. Beale, of Buchanan, was in the city yesterday.  
 Miss Mamie Rice left yesterday for Buena Vista to visit friends.  
 J. T. Doyle, of Huntington, W. Va., is registered at the St. James.  
 Capt. W. H. Baile arrived in the city yesterday from Lynchburg.  
 Bristol Courier: Mrs. Umholtz, of Roanoke, is visiting Bristol relatives.  
 S. H. Egoft, of Buena Vista, was in the city yesterday on business.  
 C. W. C. Woolwine left yesterday for a short vacation in Floyd county and regions round about.  
 Rev. Collins Denny, of Vanderbilt University, will preach in the Methodist Church at Salem to-morrow.  
 Dr. Chas. G. Cannaday returned Thursday night from a ten days' stay at Montgomery White Sulphur Springs.  
 Rev. J. W. Dangerty, of Richmond, left yesterday for home, after several days spent in this city preaching sanctification.  
 Several young people left on the noon train yesterday to be present at the German which took place last night at Blue Ridge Springs.  
 Mrs. Geo. W. Ramsey and daughter, Lillie, left Thursday night for Philadelphia on a visit. Mrs. Ramsey will be absent about two weeks, and Miss Lillie about two months.  
 Franklin Times Democrat: Mrs. Zed Bright, of Roanoke, is visiting relatives in town. J. M. Gambill, of Roanoke, came over Thursday night and is assisting in the Strouse meeting.  
 Mrs. J. W. Robinson and little child,

**"It just happened."**  
 Several days ago a customer was telling us of a job of printing he had just received from another printer, and he said it looked like "it had just happened," or that the printer "did not go to do it."  
 The Stone Printing and Manufacturing Co.,  
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 7 Campbell Ave., Roanoke, Va.

den, Hugh and Ella, returned to their home in this city Thursday after having been absent one month visiting the parents of Mrs. Robinson at Rural Retreat.  
**BUTTER KEPT EIGHT YEARS.**  
 Buried in the Well During a Freshet, It Was Forgotten.  
 Charlestown, W. Va., July 23.—During the year of the Johnstown flood, in 1889, the Shenandoah river was much swollen. During the rise, some of the timber it swept down struck the milkhouse of J. A. Grigsby, completely demolishing it, burying beneath it all the contents. A few days ago Mr. Grigsby, in cleaning away the debris, found imbedded in the running water a large roll of butter, as sweet and fresh as when placed in the house eight years ago. The long submergence in the spring, however, had extracted all the salt used in making.  
**NEW LAW FACULTY.**  
 Lexington, Va., July 23.—The law faculty at Washington and Lee University for the coming session will be composed of the following: President, William L. Wilson, LL. D.; Charles A. Graves, M. A., LL. D., dean and professor of common and statute law; H. St. George Tucker, M. A., B. L., professor of equity and commercial law; William Reynolds Vance, M. A., Ph. D., B. L., assistant professor of law.  
 During the session of 1897-98 a course of lectures will be delivered by President Wilson on the "Development and History of Modern Parliamentary Systems." Mr. Edward W. Wilson will be law librarian.

**CANDIDATE FOR LYNCHING.**  
 Portsmouth Negro Charged With Attempting to Assault a Woman.  
 Norfolk, July 23.—Mrs. Sedle Whitehurst, of Portsmouth, has sworn out a warrant, charging Daniel Herbert, colored, with attempted criminal assault. Herbert, who had been arrested and jailed in the morning for trespassing in the house of Percy Williams, had paid his fine and been released from custody. He was just leaving jail when he was rearrested on the more serious charge.  
 Mrs. Whitehurst alleges that she was sheltered on Tuesday night by the wife of Percy Williams, who put her to sleep in a spare room. She was in a partial stupor when the negro, Herbert, entered her room by raising a window. She says he attempted to assault her, but upon being repulsed, took away from her all the money she had in her possession, and escaped through the window, upon hearing the approach of Mrs. Williams, who opened the door to the room, however, in time to catch sight of the negro. She will be a witness against him.

**MONEY OR BLOOD.**  
 Irate Depositor of a Defunct Bank Attacks a Former Officer.  
 Lynchburg, July 23.—Considerable excitement was created on Main street in front of the National Exchange Bank about noon to-day by an encounter between B. E. Hughes, vice-president of the defunct Traders' Bank, and C. O. Burford, a well-known merchant. Burford was a depositor on certificate at the bank at the time of its collapse, to the amount of several hundred dollars.  
 Hughes became guarantor on Burford's certificate, and had promised from time to time, so Burford claims, to make good the amount, which he failed to do. Burford approached him to day and demanded the "money or blood." Hughes could not pay the money, and Burford thereupon drew a gun and attempted to shoot him. City Sergeant Johnson appeared on the scene and disarmed Burford, who was placed under bond for his appearance before the mayor's court to-morrow.

**WILL PAY TO HANG FIVE.**  
 Richmond, July 23.—City Sergeant Claiborne Epps received a letter this evening submitting a proposition, which, if accepted, would save the State a good bill and spare one of his deputies the performance of a most trying and painful duty. Phillip J. Richardson, a well-known builder, wrote to the official offering to put up the scaffold for the execution of the negro Fife, without cost, if he was allowed to pull the cord that will plunge the condemned youth into eternity.

**CASTORIA**  
 For Infants and Children.  
 The fac-simile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* is on every wrapper.  
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 At least, we are the people's friend, for we enable them to buy GOOD shoes CHEAP. Come to either store—Falem avenue or Jefferson street—and get a square deal and a good pair of shoes.  
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**CANNON HATED HIS WIFE.**  
 Continuation of the Conspiracy Case in Norfolk—Sensational Evidence.  
 Norfolk, July 23.—The trial of Joseph Cannon, E. Guy Hall and William Smith, for conspiracy to ruin the character of Cannon's wife in order to manufacture evidence to be used in divorce proceedings, was resumed before Justice Tomlin this morning. A sensation was sprung at the opening of the session by the surrender of Hall by his bondsmen. He was sent to jail.  
 The evidence to-day was highly sensational. It was proved that Cannon had said in a house of ill-fame, not more than a week after his marriage, that he hated his wife. A day or two later he declared positively that he intended to procure a divorce, and that he would resort to any means to accomplish that end. Contrary to expectations, Smith did not turn State's evidence.  
 The evidence was closed this afternoon and argument for the prosecution was made by the commonwealth's attorney. Several counsel will speak to-morrow. It is expected that the argument will be concluded during the day. Interest in the case is continually increasing. The courtroom is crowded at every session, and the papers containing reports of the trial are eagerly read.

**VITRIOL VICTIM DEAD.**  
 Parkersburg, W. Va., July 23.—William A. Beatty, the wealthy oil operator, victim of the vengeance of Mrs. Edna Hitchins who threw vitriol on him three weeks ago, died to-day. His wife left several days ago without seeing him. Mrs. Hitchins is still at large.  
 It is not a remedy put up by any Tom, Dick or Harry; it is compounded by expert pharmacists. Ely Bros. offer a 10 cent trial size. Ask your druggist. Full size Cream Balm 50 cents. We mail it.  
**ELY BROS., 50 Warren St., N. Y. City.**  
 Since 1861 I have been a great sufferer from catarrh. I tried Ely's Cream Balm and to all appearances am cured. Terrible headaches from which I had long suffered are gone.—W. J. Hitchcock, late Major U. S. Vol. and A. A. Gen., Buffalo, N. Y.

If your horses are lame and you find that no one else is able to make them go straight, take them around to J. S. SHANER, 307 Salem avenue, and he GUARANTEES to make them go all right. No doubt about this, he is the man to fix your horses up O. K. This "old reputation" is played out. Work tells the tale.

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Big piles of Seasonable and stylish goods at prices below actual cost to manufacture. Fifty-cent pieces buy dollars' worth now-a-days at the "Big Cash Store." One-price to all.

Special in plain Holland Dress Linen, 28 inches wide, worth 17c, for 12 1/2c. Finer grades at 15c, 17c, 25c, 33c.

Fine Sheer Linen Batiste, the correct thing for very hot weather, pure linen; only 12 1/2c. Some very fine ones, perfect beauties, at 17c, 20c and 25c.

Ten pieces best "Covert Cloth" for Separate Skirts, in the choicest colors yet produced, just opened, fresh from the hands of the makers, only 12 1/2c.

"Tailor-made" Duck Suitings for Separate Skirts, all ways 12 1/2c; at the "Big Cash Store" 10c.

Big lot beautiful styles in Corded Lawns and Lace-Striped Lawns, worth 8c; marked down to 5c. Come at once if you want these. Remember the price, 5c.

Linen Homespun for Separate Skirts and Reefer Suits; at other stores 12 1/2c; the "Big Cash Store" sells it for 10c.

One hundred and twenty pieces "Jaconat Duchesse," the best thing that's made in 12 1/2c Lawns; choice lot of new Printings, many pretty things in black and white in the lot; they go at just half price at the "Big Store," only 6 1/2c.

Special in 36-inch Linen Homespun Suiting for Ladies' wear; worth 25c a yard. Come early to get it. Now 15c.

Our grand line of beautiful 12 1/2c Lawns have been whacked off to 8c.

### NOW, ABOUT TRUNKS!

Do you need a Trunk? Do you want to save money when you buy a Trunk, and get the best made Trunk in the bargain?

Hundreds of people have bought Trunks from us and say they have saved a goodly sum.

Will you do likewise? Your name nicely printed on it without extra charge. This helps to identify your own.

One case fine Zephyr Gingham, in the small, neat styles, actually worth 10c; now 6 1/2c.

50-inch Black Brocaded "Granite," for separate skirts, decidedly pretty and stylish, actual value 87 1/2c; now 50c.

Six pieces French Checks, absolutely all-wool, a great favorite for separate skirts for summer and early autumn wear, worth 59c; reduced to 35c.

Merrimack Shirting Calicoes, in the pretty light styles for Waists and Wrappers, best 5c quality; here only 4c.

Large Figured Black Mohair for Separate Skirts, a great favorite for summer wear, sheds the dust, 42-inch, only 40c.

50-inch Black Etamine for Separate Skirts, regular price \$1; reduced to 59c—BARGAIN.

Striped Storm Serge for Skirts, black and navy, with white stripes, worth 25c—cut in half—only 12 1/2c.

Special in Plain Holland Dress Linen, 28 inches wide, worth 17c, for 12 1/2c. Finer grades at 15c, 17c, 25c, 33c.

Case Indigo Blue Denim for workingmen's overalls; just the proper weight for hot weather; easy to wash; good as you usually get for 10c; at the "Big Store" for 9c.

One case White Counterpanes, summer weight, pretty designs; other stores ask 59c; our special price for pay-day only 41c.

Fine Linen Gauze Dress Goods with pretty colored stripes, 32 inches wide, was 25c; balance to go for only 17c.

Twenty pieces Dotted Swiss Muslin for Curtains, 40 inches wide, only 12 1/2c.

Sheer White Lawn Checks, worth 8c; going here for 5 cents.

Eighty-five dozen Towels will be seen on table at entrance (east side). Some big All-Linen Huckaback, some Hemstitched Huckaback. Just eighty-five dozen in all—equal to any 12 1/2c Towels in the land. Here your choice for 10c; or \$1.15 per dozen.

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